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*Whereas, On Sunday, March 15, 2009, the Purdue Boilermakers men's basketball team beat the Ohio State Buckeyes sixty-five to sixty-one in a hard fought battle for the Big Ten Championship;*

*Whereas, In his fourth season as Purdue head coach, Matt Painter is leading Purdue to the top of the collegiate basketball world. After being named 2008 Big Ten Coach of the Year and finishing second-place in the 2008 Big Ten Conference, Coach Painter and the Boilers had a reputation to protect;*

*Whereas, Purdue began their championship journey as the pre-season conference favorites. However, suffering a season of injuries and illnesses, and losing three of their final four regular season games, landed the Boilers a number three seed entering the Big Ten tournament;*

*Whereas, Never giving up, the Boilermakers talent and determination kept them alive. Purdue defeated Penn State and Illinois to earn their spot in the final game;*



*Whereas, With the championship on the line, the Purdue Boilermakers and the Ohio State Buckeyes battled to the bitter end. Purdue trailed thirty to twenty-five going into halftime;*

*Whereas, Ohio State kept the lead early in the second half. Purdue sophomore E'Twaun Moore hit a three-pointer, starting an eleven-to-one run for the Boilers, which regained control of the game;*

*Whereas, Moore scored fourteen of his seventeen points during the second half rally. Sophomores Robbie Hummel and JaJuan Johnson contributed as well. Johnson scored sixteen points and Hummel was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player, adding nine points, eleven rebounds, and five assists;*

*Whereas, Junior Chris Kramer flawlessly completed all four of his free throws in the final seconds to secure victory and bring home Purdue's first Big Ten Basketball Championship title;*

*Whereas, Carrying momentum from their victory, Purdue entered the NCAA tournament as the number five seed in the West Regional. The Boilers continued their winning streak and advanced to the Sweet Sixteen for the first time since 2000; and*

*Whereas, In a state with a love for basketball, the Purdue Boilermakers are carrying on a Hoosier tradition. Boiler basketball enjoys a rich tradition, holding the record for wins in the Big Ten Championship tournament and being the only Big Ten school to boast winning records against every basketball program in the conference. Boiler Up!: Therefore,*



*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly  
of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly hereby  
2           congratulates the Purdue Boilermaker mens basketball team for their  
3           first Big Ten Championship.

4           SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to  
5           transmit a copy of this resolution to Coach Matt Painter, the Purdue  
6           mens basketball team, and the Purdue Athletic Department.

